community and said that a stronger impetus should be given to the Mahomedans to improve their lot by a more liberal admission of that community into the public service. So far as the Mahomedans were concerned, the rules for admission into the service should be slightly relaxed for some time and heads of departments should be instructed to give preference to Mahomedan candidates in a greater proportion. The Member advocated the appointment of a Mahomedan Judge in the High Court and the encouragement of those Mahomedans who were already in the service. In conclusion, he requested that the pay of the Mahomedan Munshi in the Alleppey Mahomedan School should be enhanced and the man duly encouraged.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

146. The need for entertaining the Catholic Christians of South Travancore in the subordinate ranks of the State Service.

Mr. D. Francis (Member, Nominated) said that the Catholic Christians of South Travancore were very backward in education and that they had no encouragement so far as the public service was concerned. Even the few Matriculates in the service were completely ignored. There was a clerk in the Medical Department who received no promotion for the past 17 years. He therefore requested that the members of the community should be encouraged and appointed more liberally in the subordinate ranks of the service especially where no special qualification was needed and all heads of departments instructed accordingly.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

147. A more liberal entertainment of all sections of the people in the subordinate service of the State.

Mr. M. D. Daniel (Member, Nominated) pointed out that the Government ought to recognise the right of each and every section of the people to a fair share in the appointments of the public service and that the Government could be really popular only by the practical recognition of the above principle. The Member then spoke of the Police Department and said that the department was not thoroughly representative in its composition and that therefore it lacked in its morale and efficiency. He suggested that in the subordinate service of every department—say below Rs. 30—every section of the people should be represented and he requested that the Government might be pleased to issue the necessary orders in the matter.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

148. The desirability of having a Member every year in the Assembly to represent the Kshatrias.

Mr. Raja Raja Varma Koil Tampuran (Member, Nominated) pointed out that the Kshatria community was not represented in the Assembly every year, and said that it was highly desirable to have a Member every year in the Assembly to represent the interests of that community.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

149. The necessity for the modification of the rules relating to the election of Members for the Assembly, with special reference to the election of Ezhava Members.

Mr. P. Madhavan Vaidyan (Member, Nominated) pointed out that the system of nomination, adopted by the Government, of representatives of certain communities as members of the Assembly, indicated the existence of difficulties on the part of those communities to obtain adequate representation through popular election. That the Assembly should contain representatives of all sections of the people of the State and that it was intended as a popular institution would not be doubted for a moment by any one. But the fact remained that the rules regulating the election of members did not permit certain communities who were in the minority to return their representatives to the Assembly duly elected by popular votes. The procedure for the election of members by the taluks was regulated by the provisions in Schedule A,

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